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"...the health of a community is a shared responsibility of many entities, organizations and interests in the community, including health services delivery organizations, public health agencies, other public and private entities and the people of a community."

– Institute of Medicine, 1996. Healthy Communities: New Partnerships for

the Future of Public Health. National Academy Press. p. 12



Livingston Parish

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History¹

Livingston, one of the Florida Parishes, named after Edward Livingston, who formulated Louisiana's code of law, was created in 1832 from a part of St. Helena Parish. It is one of the earliest settled parishes of the state, as both French and Spanish colonists settled there in the early 1700s. In 1778 families from the Canary Island settled on the Amite River.

Culture and Recreation³

Located in the southeastern part of the state in the Florida Parishes, Livingston Parish is unique in several ways. North of



Highway 190 the population is predominantly Anglo-Saxon Protestant, while south of Highway 190 you will find the French-Catholic population. The Free State of Livingston, established in 1832, was so named because of a philosophy of independence and self-reliance. The parish was built by a humble class of proud people. See the folk housing, low-land homes, largest Hungarian settlement in the state, grazing buffalo and deer. Livingston Parish offers tall willowy pines, lazy rivers, bayous, swamp tours, an antique village, bird-watching and much more.

Parish Seat ¹	Livingston ¹
Major Cities (over 5,000 population) ²	_
Denham Springs	
1990	8,381
1997 (estimate)	9,171
Parish Population ²	
1990	70,526
1997 (estimate)	83,487
Breakdown of 1996 population (estimates) ⁶	
White	93%
African American	6%
Other	
Male	50%
Female	50%
Population age 0-4	8%
Population age 65 & Over	9%

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Geography and Statistics ²	
Average elevation	40 ft.
Land area in square miles	.648.1
Water area in square miles ⁴	
Climate ²	
Average temperatures	
Annual	68°
January	57°
July	
Annual average rainfall	7.6 in.
Labor Force (1995) ¹	
Civilian	5,670
Employed	4,890
Unemployed	
Unemployment	

Agriculture1

Poultry, beef cattle, vegetable farming, dairying and forestry; plywood, door works, pulpwood, ironworks, Cellu-fibe manufacturing and aluminum.

Colleges/Universities²

(within one hour commute) Baton Rouge Louisiana State University Southern University Hammond Southeastern Louisiana University

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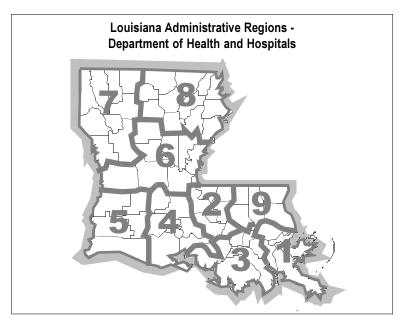
Educational Attainment (1990) ⁷		
Less than 5th grade	2.6%	
High school graduate or higher	66.7%	
Some college or higher	26.6%	
Bachelor's degree or higher	8.7%	

Major Employers (Products) and Number of Employees² **Private Employers** Sunland Fabricators, Inc. (Pipe Fabrication) 350 Waste Management of America (Waste Collection) 220 Vulcan Foundry (Iron Prod.'s)/Wal-Mart (Disc. Retailer) 200 **Public Employers** Livingston Parish School System (Education) 1,723 City of Denham Springs (Government) 121 Livingston Parish Police Jury (Government) 56

Poverty and Income		
Persons in poverty (1995) ⁷	13.5%	
Children under age 18 in poverty ⁷	18.8%	
Per capita income (1996) ⁸	\$17,826	



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Region 1 Jefferson	Region 3 Assumption	Region 5 Allen
Orleans	Lafourche	Beauregard
Plaquemines	St. Charles	Calcasieu
St. Bernard	St. James	Cameron
	St. John	Jefferson Davis
Region 2	St. Mary	
Ascension	Terrebonne	Region 6
East Baton Rouge		Avoyelles
East Feliciana	Region 4	Catahoula
Iberville	Acadia	Concordia
Pointe Coupee	Evangeline	Grant
West Baton Rouge	Iberia	LaSalle
West Feliciana	Lafayette	Rapides
	St. Landry	Vernon
	St. Martin	Winn

Vermilion

Region 7 Bienville

Bossier

Caddo

Claiborne

DeSoto

Natchitoches

Red River

Sabine

Webster

Region 8

Caldwell

East Carroll

Franklin

Jackson

Lincoln

Madison

Morehouse

Ouachita

Richland

Tensas

Union

West Carroll

Region 9

Livingston St. Helena St. Tammany Tangipahoa

Washington